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TOPIC: Abolition of the Hardbure Elbe River Bridges

EVALUATION: See below

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## REFERENCES

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1. Six guns were observed on the eastern abutment of the not yet completed new "Strombrücke" in MAGDEBURG (M 53/Y 60) (see annex 1) on [redacted]. These guns were surrounded by a revetment and covered by a camouflage net. They were of about 75 mm caliber. A sentry equipped with field glasses was seen.

2. The Elbe River is crossed in MAGDEBURG by the "Strombruecke" north of the southern railroad bridge. In the extension of the "Strombruecke" an Elbe River branch is crossed by the so-called "Zollbruecke". Near the eastern abutment of the "Strombruecke", a dam scheduled in connection with the construction of a new bridge has been built. Antitank or antiaircraft gun positions reinforced by round timber and boards were observed on this dam near the "Zollbruecke" on [redacted] Five guns covered with tarpaulins and camouflage nets were identified there.

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Comment: The location of guns near the MAGDEBURG "Strombruecke" was reported for the first time. How long the guns have stood there is not known. The report does not clarify the type of these guns. From their location it is inferred that they are antitank and not antiaircraft guns.

- 2) Annexes:
- (1) Gun Emplacements at the MAGDEBURG "Strombruecke" Across the Elbe River.
  - (2) Gun Emplacements at the MAGDEBURG "Strombruecke" Across the Elbe River.

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